

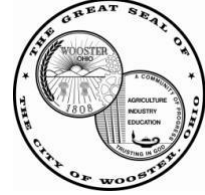
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PRESS RELEASE

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On Wednesday, June 28, 2017, the FBI notified us that the Wooster-Ashland Regional Council of Governments computer network was breached and more than 200,000 records in our system were compromised.

The breach occurred on May 26, 2017 and is a federal crime. We are fully cooperating with the FBI's investigation.

The privacy of our constituents and the confidentiality of their personal information are of critical importance to us and we are taking this incident very seriously. We will be providing free credit monitoring and identity theft protection services to people affected by the breach. We are reaching out to everyone whose records were involved in this breach to inform them of the steps they can take to activate these services, and we encourage them to do so.

We regret that this incident occurred. Unfortunately, we know these scams are becoming routine – and increasingly sophisticated. FBI agents have repeatedly assured us that we have taken the correct steps to be ahead of the game in terms of security. Nevertheless, we are conducting a thorough review of all of our network protocols, policies and procedures to reduce the risk of an incident like this happening again.

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